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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 18, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ Please cancel claims 1-23.

Please add the following new claims 24-36.

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24. (New) A device for use in immobilising animals comprising and elongated probe and an electrical power source, said probe comprising a rear end, a front end for insertion into the anal canal of an animal, first and second electrodes spaced from each other on the outer surface of said probe and electrical conductors extending from the electrodes and adapted for connection to the electrical power source, and wherein the electrical power source supplies an electrical current of between about 250 mA and 400 mA with a potential of between about 1 and 11 Volts and a frequency of between about 20 and 50 Hz.

25. (New) A device as recited in claim 24 wherein the electrical power source supplies an electrical current having a potential of between 2 and 10 Volts.